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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

- 1. Petition and Amendment to Correct Inventorship (2 pages);
- 2. Check No. 18352 for \$130.00; and
- 3. Return Postcard.

The Applicants in the above-identified application are now a small entity, and are therefore entitled to claim status as a small entity. If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (617) 542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees required in connection with the paper(s) transmitted herewith, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No.21402-269 (Cura 569).

Respectfully submitted,

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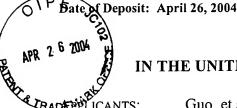
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PETITION AND AMENDMENT TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP IN A NONPROVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.48(b) – FEWER INVENTORS DUE TO AMENDMENT OR CANCELLATION OF CLAIMS

Dear Sir:

The prosecution of the above-identified nonprovisional application has resulted in the cancellation of claims so that fewer than all of the currently named inventors are the actual inventors of the invention being claimed in the instant application. Therefore, Applicants submit this Amendment and Petition to correct inventorship by deleting the following name(s):

Ballinger, Robert A., Blalock, Angela D., Boldog, Ferenc L., Casman, Stacie J., Fernandes, Elma, Guo, Xiaojia Sasha, Gusev, Vladimir Y., Herrmann, John, Heyes, Melvyn P., Ioime, Noelle, Ji, Weizhen, Kekuda, Ramesh, Leite, Mario W., Liu, Yi, Mezes, Peter D., Patturajan, Meera, Pena, Carol E.A., Rastelli, Luca, Shenoy, Suresh G.,

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Shimkets, Richard A., Spytek, Kimberly A., Taupier, Raymond J., Tchernev, Velizar T., Vernet, Corine.

Each of the above listed inventors' invention is no longer being claimed in the instant nonprovisional application.

Applicants submit herewith the appropriate fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 21402-269.

Should the Commissioner have any questions concerning this petition, he is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

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